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**The City of New York  
Community Board 8 Manhattan**

January 29, 2024

Honorable Sarah Carroll, Chair  
NYC Landmarks Preservation Commission  
Municipal Building  
One Center Street, 9th Floor  
New York, New York 10007

**RE: 19 East 74th Street (Upper East Side Historic District)** – *Steven Harris Architects LLP* – A simplified Neo-Federal style building constructed in 1869 and altered by Schwartz & Gross in 1930. Application is an alteration to previously-approved rear façade windows at Ground Floor and Third Floor.

Dear Chair Carroll,

At the Full Board meeting of Community Board 8 Manhattan held on January 24, 2024, the Board approved the following resolution by a vote of 43 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions, and 0 not voting for cause.

**WHEREAS** the alteration to this Neo-Federal style building was approved by the Community Board and the Landmarks Preservation Commission;

**WHEREAS** the construction for the alteration is underway;

**WHEREAS** a change on the interior would benefit by a change in the window arrangement on the third floor in the rear of the building;

**WHEREAS** the approved rear façade has multi-pane steel windows;

**WHEREAS** the approved windows on the third floor in the rear include a pair of windows and a single window;

**WHEREAS** the proposed change on the third floor in the rear is for a single, multi-pane window that incorporates the pair of windows and the single window into the equivalent of five multi-pane windows in one masonry opening;

**WHEREAS** the proposed window opening, with the equivalent of five individual windows side by side, matches the style and functioning of the steel windows on the fourth and fifth floors with a heavy, horizontal mullion defining the upper third of the windows;

**WHEREAS** the upper thirds of the new windows have operable transoms like the approved windows;

**WHEREAS** the windows in the rear façade were organized as five side by side doors and windows on the second floor and a pair of windows and a single window on the third through fifth floors;

**WHEREAS** the windows in the rear façade are to be organized as five side by side doors and windows on the second floor and five side by side windows on the third floor, and a pair of windows and a single window on the fourth and fifth floors;

**WHEREAS** the new window in the rear façade, the equivalent of five windows side by side, creates a new relationship of windows and doors that is well composed;

**WHEREAS** the proposed new window is appropriate and contextual within the historic district;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that this application is **APPROVED** as presented.

Please advise us of any action taken on this matter.

Sincerely,

*Valerie S. Mason*

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*David Helpern and Jane Parshall*

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Co-Chairs, Landmarks Committee

cc: Honorable Kathy Hochul, Governor of New York  
Honorable Eric Adams, Mayor of the City of New York  
Honorable Mark Levine, Manhattan Borough President  
Honorable Jerry Nadler, 12th Congressional District Representative  
Honorable Liz Krueger, NYS Senator, 28th Senatorial District  
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